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Application No.: 08/823,744

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 19, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 33 in its entirety without any prejudice.

Please amend the following pending claims:

1. (Thrice Amended) A conferencing system comprising:

at least one client;

a conference server;

network connections between the conference server and the at least one client, wherein the at least one client maintains a version of a shared portion of a display, wherein the conference server updates said version of said shared portion of said display after taking into consideration the network connection speeds and loads and client computing speeds and loads,

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